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Mr. Richard W. McClure Olin Corporation Environmental Remediation Group PO Box 248 Charleston, TN 37310-0248

Dear Mr. McClure:

SLIC: 425 TENNANT AVENUE, MORGAN HILL; RESPONSE TO ADDITIONAL TIER 4 WELL SAMPLING

Regional Board staff has reviewed MACTEC's May 30, 2003 Expanded Tier 4 Offsite Well Sampling (Report) detailing Olin's expanded scope of well sampling for the subject site. On behalf of Olin, MACTEC identified 161 additional wells for perchlorate sampling and analysis as requested by the Regional Board. Due to the new detection South of Leavesley Rd., additional wells will also be sampled south and southeast of the subject site. Extended sampling offsite was requested to define the extent of lateral and vertical perchlorate contamination in groundwater at the site. The wells are within the potential pathway of groundwater movement from the site and were selected based on previous perchlorate detections.

The Regional Board has no objection to the additional well sampling provided the sampling results aid in assessing the lateral and vertical plume migration. If the sample results do not accomplish this, additional multiple screen wells may have to be added to accurately evaluate the perchlorate migration.

Olin's sampling teams have already began to sample wells and may proceed to collect samples upon authorization from the well owner. Olin will continue to follow the procedures and protocols outlined in the Sampling and Analysis Plan for the Tier 4 Offsite Well Sampling Program dated February 12, 2003 and the Quality Assurance Project Plan and Health and Safety Plan for the Phase 3 Soil and Groundwater Investigation Workplan dated February 11, 2003.

Tier 4 offsite well sampling results will be summarized in the Second Quarter 2003 Groundwater Report Submittal and the Third Quarter 2003 Groundwater Monitoring Report Submittal and submitted to the Regional Board by July 30, 2003 and October 30, 2003 respectively.

If you have any questions, please contact **A. John Mijares at (805) 549-3696** or Harvey Packard at (805) 542-4639.

Sincerely,

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